

Amended Patent Claims

1 1. (original) A housing, especially a housing for an
2 electronic device for use in automotive technology, which has at
3 least two housing parts (1, 2) of plastic whereby the two housing
4 parts (1, 2) can be locked together with at least one snap
5 connection, characterized in that at least one snap connection is
6 so formed that after the housing parts have been locked together
7 they remain under a prestress for which purpose on one housing part
8 (2) an elastically yieldable snap part (3) is arranged and on the
9 at least one other housing part (1) a snap part (4) is arranged
10 which operatively engages with the snap part (3).

1 2. original) The housing according to claim 1
2 characterized in that the snap part (3) on the housing part (2) is
3 a lug (3) with a recess or cutout (32) and the snap part (4) on the
4 housing part (1) which is operatively engageable therewith is a
5 detent hook.

1 3. (original) The housing according to claim 2
2 characterized in that the lug (31) is connected only at an end
3 region with the housing part (2) and is otherwise separated from
4 the housing part (2) by slits (33).

1 4. (currently amended) The housing according to claim 1
2 ~~or 2~~ characterized in that the lug (31) has an outwardly directed
3 projection (35).

4 5. (currently amended) The housing according to claim
5 ~~2, 3 or 4~~ characterized in that the detent hook (42) is located in
6 a region (41) set back with respect to the surface of the housing
7 part (1).

1 6. (currently amended) The housing according to ~~one of~~
2 ~~the preceding claims~~ claim 1 characterized in that the at least two
3 housing parts (1, 2) are separate from one another or are connected
4 with one another by connecting means.

1 7. (original) The housing according to claim 6
2 characterized in that the connecting means is at least one film
3 hinge (5).

1 8. (currently amended) The housing according to ~~one of~~
2 ~~the preceding claims~~ claim 1 one of the preceding claims
3 characterized in that the at least two housing parts (1, 2) are
4 produced in a plastic injection molding process.